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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: BACQUES et al.  
Docket: 11027.25USWO  
Title: CRATE, SET OF BLANKS, AND METHOD FOR OPENING A CRATE AND METHOD AND MACHINE FOR THE PRODUCTION OF SAID CRATE

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- ☒ Transmittal sheet, in duplicate, containing Certificate under 37 CFR 1.10.
- ☒ National Stage PCT Patent Application: Spec. 48 pgs; 49 claims; Abstract 1 pgs.  
The fee has been calculated as shown below in the 'Claims as Filed' table.
- ☒ 17 sheets of formal drawings
- ☒ A signed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney
- ☒ Assignment of the invention of OTOR, Recordation Form Cover Sheet
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## CLAIMS AS FILED

Number of Claims Filed		In Excess of:		Number Extra		Rate		Fee
Basic Filing Fee								\$890.00
Total Claims								
49	-	20	=	29	x	18.00	=	\$522.00
Independent Claims								
3	-	3	=	0	x	84.00	=	\$0.00
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM FEE								\$0.00
TOTAL FILING FEE								\$1412.00

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INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.

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INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE

19 April 2000

PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED

19 April 1999

TITLE OF INVENTION

CRATE, SET OF BLANKS, METHOD FOR OPENING A CRATE AND METHOD AND MACHINE FOR THE PRODUCTION OF SAID CRATE

APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US

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Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

1. ☒ This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
2. ☐ This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
3. ☒ This express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)) at any time rather than delay examination until the expiration of the applicable time limit set in 35 U.S.C. 371(b) and PCT Articles 22 and 39(l).
4. ☒ A proper Demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed priority date.
5. ☒ A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))
  - a. ☒ is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
  - b. ☒ has been transmitted by the International Bureau.
  - c. ☐ is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US)
6. ☒ A translation of the International Application into English (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).
7. ☒ Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))
  - a. ☒ are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
  - b. ☒ have been transmitted by the International Bureau.
  - c. ☐ have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
  - d. ☐ have not been made and will not be made.
8. ☐ A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).
9. ☒ A signed oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(4)).
10. ☒ A translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).

Items 11. to 16. below concern document(s) or information included:

11. ☐ An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.
12. ☒ An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
13. ☒ A **FIRST** preliminary amendment.  
☐ A **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** preliminary amendment.
14. ☐ A substitute specification.
15. ☐ A change of power of attorney and/or address letter.
16. ☒ Other items or information: International Publication Page, Preliminary Amendment, Abstract, Marked-up Copy, Form PCT/RO/101, Form PCT/ISA/210, Form PCT/IB/308, Form PCT/IPEA/409, 17 Sheets of Formal Drawings

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17. ☒ The following fees are submitted:

BASIC NATIONAL FEE (37 CFR 1.492(a) (1)-(5)):	CALCULATIONS	PTO USE ONLY
Search Report has been prepared by the EPO or JPO.....	\$890.00	
International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.492(a)(1)).....	\$710.00	
No international preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.482) but international search fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)).....	\$740.00	
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CLAIMS	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA
Total claims	49 -20 = 29	X \$18.00
Independent claims	3 -3 = 0	X \$84.00
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Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than <input type="checkbox"/> 20 <input type="checkbox"/> 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(f)).		+ \$
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Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property		+ \$
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1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.

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